

In re Application of:

Masashige TAMURA

Application No.: 10/693,981

Filed: October 28, 2003

For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
INCLUDING GRAVITY-OPERATED
OPENING AND CLOSING MEMBER
FOR DISCHARGING EXCESS DEVELOPER
(AS AMENDED)

Docket No. 03500.017673

Confirmation No.: 3977

Examiner: Ryan M. Gleitz

Group Art Unit: 2852

Date: November 28, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are a Request for Continued Examination and a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional claims fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	6	MINUS	20	= 0	x \$25 \$50	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$100 \$200	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

☐ Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

☒ Charge \$790.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 for the RCE fee.

☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the fee for a _____ month extension is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

☒ Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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